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Advisory Announcement

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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON DRIFT GILLNET FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Section 1-B: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 26, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, September 30, 2021, with the following restriction:

Pearse and Portland Canals: will be closed north of the latitude of Akeku Point at 54°50.03′ N lat.

District 6: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 26, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, September 28, 2021, with the following restriction:

Section 6-D: will be closed north and east of a line from Point Nesbitt at 56°13.93′ N lat, 132°52.35′ W long to Nesbitt Reef Light at 56°13.22′ N lat, 132°51.84′ W long to Mariposa Rock Buoy at 56°10.68′ N lat, 132°44.36′ W long to the northernmost tip of Point Harrington at 56°10.27′ N lat, 132°43.57′ W long to Etolin Island at 56°09.60′ N lat, 132°42.70′ W long to the southernmost tip of Point Stanhope at 56°00.69′ N lat, 132°36.47′ W long and south of a line from Point Stanhope to Luck Point at 55°59.05′ N lat, 132°44.08′ W long.

District 8: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 26, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, September 28, 2021, with the following restrictions:

<u>Frederick Sound</u>: will be closed south and west of a line from a point 1.0 nautical mile off the Kupreanof Island shoreline on the District 10 boundary at 56°57.13′ N lat, 132°59.05′ W long to Sukoi Island Light at 56°53.73′ N lat, 132°56.64′ W long to Frederick Point at 56°47.55′ N lat, 132°49.27′ W long;

Stikine River: will be closed within a line from 500 yards north of Japanese Creek on the mainland shore at 56°46.63′ N lat, 132°37.09′ W long to the northern end of Coney Island at 56°41.62′ N lat, 132°38.92′ W long to the prominent point of Mitkof Island nearest Coney Island at 56°40.77′ N lat, 132°39.28′ W long to a point on Mitkof Island near the eastern entrance to Blind Slough at 56°31.88′ N lat, 132°40.66′ W long to the nearby small island at 56°31.83′ N lat, 132°40.17′ W long to the southern end of Greys Island at 56°30.67′ N lat, 132°33.05′ W long to the southern end of Liesnoi Island at 56°29.83′ N lat, 132°29.18′ W long to Point Highfield at 56°29.35′ N lat, 132°23.23′ W long then along the Wrangell Island shoreline to Hour Point at 56°27.72′ N lat, 132°16.79′ W long to Babbler Point at 56°29.09′ N lat, 132°17.37′ W long.

Section 11-B: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 26, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, September 30, 2021, with the following restrictions:

<u>Limestone Inlet</u>: will be closed east of a line from 58°02.03′ N lat, 133°59.59′ W long to 58°01.72′ N lat, 133°59.43′ W long (outside markers);

<u>Port Snettisham</u>: will be closed east of a line from Sharp Point at 58°00.66′ N lat, 133°47.15′ W long to Sentinel Point at 57°59.74′ N lat, 133°45.62′ W long.

Section 15-A: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 26, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 29, 2021,** south of a line from Tanani Point at 59°16.39′ N lat, 135°26.46′ W long to Taiya Point at 59°17.25′ N lat, 135°24.14′ W long, with the following restriction:

Chilkat Inlet: will be closed north of the latitude of the northernmost tip of Kochu Island at 59°09.03' N lat.

Section 15-C: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 26, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 29, 2021, with the following restriction:

William Henry Bay: will be closed south of 58°42.93′ N lat.

Fishermen and processors are reminded that all salmon, including steelhead, commercially harvested but retained for personal use and not sold, must be reported on fish tickets at the time of delivery.

Under Alaska's Health Advisories 1, 2, 3, and 4, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Advisories. COVID-19 Health Advisories may be found here: https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-advisories/.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S7221.

Southeast Alaska Drift Gillnet Harvest Estimates Statistical Week 39 (September 19 through September 25) Preliminary Estimates Compiled September 23, 2021

		NUMBER OF SALMON							
								Days	
District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats	Open	
District 1	0	0	2,500	0	500	3,000	14	4	
District 6	8	0	1,000	30	350	1,388	23	2	
District 8	1	1	900	0	50	952	11	2	
District 11	0	0	200	0	0	200	5	4	
District 15	2	20	2,100	0	1,600	3,722	30	3	
Total	11	21	6,700	30	2,500	9,262			

FISH PER BOAT FOR THE PERIOD

District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
District 1	0	0	179	0	36	214
District 6	0	0	43	1	15	60
District 8	0	0	82	0	5	87
District 11	0	0	40	0	0	40
District 15	0	1	70	0	53	124

Nakat Inlet THA harvest to date: 5,000 coho salmon. Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 1,300 coho salmon. Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 354,000 chum salmon.

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